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March 17, 2008

To the Honorable Common Council  
of the City of Milwaukee  
Room 205 - City Hall

Re: Communication from Attorney Laurie A. Eggert for legal fees for  
Police Officer Truman Dodd  
C.I. File No. 07-S-50 (1); EC 2429

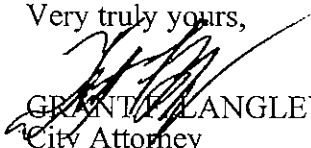
Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie A. Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer Truman Dodd. The claim is in the amount of \$352.00 for 3.20 hours of service billed at the rate of \$110 per hour. We ask that this matter be introduced and referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Legislation.

We have reviewed this claim and advise that in our opinion, the time spent was reasonable. Legal representation was occasioned by a criminal investigation. No criminal charges were brought against the officer on whose behalf this claim was filed.

As we have advised you under similar circumstances in the past, the Common Council has discretion to reject this claim or to pay it in whole or in part. Wis. Stat. § 895.35, *Bablitch and Bablitch v. Lincoln County*, 82 Wis. 2d 574 (1978).

Very truly yours,

  
GRANT F. LANGLEY  
City Attorney

  
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MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

February 23, 2007

TO: P.O. TRUMAN DODD  
DISTRICT: FOUR

RE: Receipt of Legal Services from Law Firm of  
Attorney Jonathan Cermele

Attorney Jonathan Cermele has made a claim with the City, indicating the attached was provided with legal services arising out of one of the following situations:

- 1) An incident occurring on JUNE 28, 2006
- 2) A citizen complaint made by CARLOS BELL
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on N/A

Is this information correct?

YES  NO

Did you receive legal representation  
in this matter?

YES  NO

Your signature:

T B. DODD

Print your name:

TRUMAN B. DODD

Upon completion, please return this memorandum to the Professional Performance Division at the Police Academy (Room 325) as soon as possible.

*Mary K. Hoerig*  
MARY K. HOERIG  
Deputy Inspector  
Professional Performance Division

MKH: lrc

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February 8, 2007

Mr. Ronald D. Leonhardt  
Milwaukee City Clerk  
800 City Hall  
200 East Wells Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53202

CITY OF MILWAUKEE  
2007 FEB 13 AM 8:04  
RONALD D. LEONHARDT  
CITY CLERK

**RE: MPD Criminal Investigation of PO Truman Dodd  
Allegations Regarding Mr. Carlos Bell  
Date of Incident: June 28, 2006  
Location of Incident: Pick 'N Save on Brown Deer Road**

Dear Mr. Leonhardt:

The above-named police officer has retained us to represent him in connection with the above-referenced matter.

Consistent with its policy, the City Attorney's Office has refused to represent him and, as he was performing the duties of his office at the time of the events giving rise to the incident, this claim is hereby made on his behalf for the indicated legal fees. This incident involved an arrest of a disorderly and resistive suspect.

DDA Reddin reviewed the matter and did not issue charges against the officer. Attached is a copy of DDA Reddin's letter and an itemization of the time and services rendered.

Sincerely,

CERMELE & ASSOCIATES, S.C.

Jon Cernele

/kjs

Attachments  
DODD

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OFFICE OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Milwaukee County

E. MICHAEL McCANN • District Attorney

November 17, 2006

Chief Nannette Hegerty
City of Milwaukee Police Department
749 W. State Street
7th Floor
Milwaukee, WI 53233

Re: Truman Dodd

Dear Chief Hegerty:

On June 28, 2006, Carlos Bell shoplifted at Pick & Save and struggled mightily with security guards, causing various injuries to his face and arms. Police were called and he was arrested and taken to the district station where he was given a citation.

The arresting officer, Truman Dodd, says that he released Bell after he issued Bell a citation. Bell contends that Dodd placed him, in handcuffs, back into the squad and drove him part way home. Bell says that at one point Dodd stopped the squad, opened the back door of the squad and punched Bell in the face.

I am declining prosecution of this matter because I believe Bell's version to be implausible and unlikely. He was drunk, belligerent and is not a credible witness. Dodd's version of events makes more sense to me, and I believe it.

Very truly yours,

Jon N. Reddin
Deputy District Attorney

JNR:jr

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February 08, 2007

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RE: MPD Criminal Investigation re: Battery  
Regarding: PO Truman Dodd  
Date of Incident: June 28, 2006  
Location of Incident: Pick 'N Save on Brown Deer Road  
Professional services

	<u>Hours</u>
6/30/2006 Telephone call from PO Truman Dodd regarding criminal investigation; research regarding battery statute; telephone call to Det. Hoover; telephone call to Balcerzak.	1.50
7/1/2006 Meeting with PO Dodd regarding PPD complaint; memo to file.	0.80
8/17/2006 Intra-office conference with Pings.	0.10
Telephone call to Det. Hoover; intra-office conference with Granitz; intra-office conference with Cermele.	0.30
11/28/2006 Telephone call to DDA Reddin regarding status; memo to file.	0.20
12/18/2006 Receive and review correspondence from Reddin; correspondence to client; close file.	0.30
	<u>Amount</u>
For professional services rendered	3.20 \$352.00
Balance due	<u>\$352.00</u>

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)